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CONJUGATED LINOLEIC ACID COMPOSITIONS

# PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir or Madam:

Prior to an examination on the merits of the above-identified Continuation application, please amend the specification as follows:

### IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, line 1, please insert - This is a Continuation of allowed co-pending application U.S. Patent Appln. Ser. No. 09/042,767, filed March 17, 1998.--

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1-6

Please add the following new Claims:

An isomerized conjugated linoleic acid composition comprising at least fifty percent conjugated linoleic acid, wherein said isomerized conjugated linoleic acid composition has less than one percent 11,13-octadecadienoic and 8,10-octadecadienoic acid isomers expressed as peak area percentage.

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